

GROUND HOG IS BLUFFED

Doesn't Dare Stick His Nose Out
of His Hole, After One First Peep.

If there is such a thing as the weather being rough enough to bluff our weather prognosticator, the ground hog, into staying in his hibernical observatory, he never put in his appearance today.

Even is the sun had not been shining on the conditions on the surface of terra firma would cause him to duck for several days, if not for several weeks.

We are as down hearted as the dog about the weather and a great deal bluer, especially if we brave the north and west winds that now prevail. If our swinish friend sniffs so much cold in the air that there is danger of his snout getting frost bitten, he hibernates again, for we suppose he is enough like other hogs to want to root, and we do not believe he prefers rooting in the snow.

On the whole, the indications are that we will have six weeks more bad weather for we are quite sure that the badger will not brave the elements even if the sun had not been shining. The ground hog is a fighter in his den for he will whip the gamest bull terrier; but in the open air he is soon overcome. And of course he would prefer battling with the elements in his underground home.

I am not the least bit skeptical in regard to the traditions that have been handed down by our ancestors for in fact we lose much of life if we do not believe in them. Nothing helped our early settlers any more than this particular.

If the sun shone out that day they buttoned their home-made jeans coats the tighter and with renewed determination passed the remainder of the winter. If the day was cloudy preparations were begun for spring work, and the whole upshot of the business is that they prophesied the weather about as well as we, with all our modern apparatus.

FAMOUS IMPERSONATOR TO APPEAR HERE

Mr. Phidelia Rice Will Be Heard in
This City, Under Auspices of Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Mr. Phidelia Rice, famous impersonator, will appear in this city on February 13, under the auspices of Kentucky Wesleyan College.

It could not be afforded to purchase a whole lecture course just to get to hear one man. A single bad number is no recommendation to an enterprise of this kind. Lindsey's lecture was by no means the climax of the course from which the remaining numbers fail in interest or importance. The entire course was selected with special care as to variety and quality and with the sole aim of making each number really interesting and profitable to all. There are two numbers yet to come the quality and personality of which are by no means inferior to what we have had. Mr. Phidelia Rice who will be in Winchester on the 13th day of February has attained a national reputation as an impersonator. In the season of 1909 Mr. Rice appeared on the platform at Chautauqua a number of times. His rendition elicited the most unusual ovation. He was one of the few of the season to receive the regular Chautauqua salute. Mr. Lybarger's lecture, the fifth and last number of the season, will be exception. Mr. Lybarger is an orator and a statesman. He is one of the men whose influence is really helping to shape public thought in national affairs; we

should want to know his opinions. He is ranked with no less than Bryan and La Follette as a speaker. So you see there is something good yet to come.

We realize that conditions have not been altogether favorable for a large attendance at one or two of the last numbers, and we have nothing but the most hearty appreciation for the interest already manifested by the community in their attendance in spite of the bad weather, etc., but it is hoped that neither bad weather nor a Saturday night's engagement will be available for an excuse for your absence at the next two numbers. The Saturday night we hope very carefully to avoid and the weather we trust to be in our favor.

A statement from the student committee in charge of the management of the course we hope will not be out of place or misunderstood. We are indebted for the high character of the course this year to the wise selection of Prof. Tigert before his resignation as President of Kentucky Wesleyan College.

When President Clark came he took the course off Prof. Tigert's hands assuming all financial responsibilities. So far with the hardest work of the committee the receipts have not been sufficient to cover the expense of the numbers already had by about one hundred and sixty dollars.

Now we are not asking for a subscription to help pay out and President Clark would not have made this statement himself, neither does the success of the course mean anything to the committee financially but we do not feel that President Clark will be encouraged to repeat the course again next year at so great a loss. It does mean a great deal to the student intellectually and we feel that it ought to mean as much to the community.

It is the desire of President Clark to make the Lyceum course a permanent feature of the college work thus making the college, as it should be, the auspices of the very highest intellectual entertainments of the community. The students are enthusiastic over the idea and are willing to contribute their part to the success of the enterprise; but of course it can never be realized until we are encouraged by a sufficient interest on the part of the people of the community. We trust you will not fail to see the announcements concerning the next number and then give us your attendance upon that occasion.

MANAGING COMMITTEE.

MEETING OF BOARD POSTPONED A WEEK

On Account of Absence of County
Superintendent Lanter, Regular
Meeting is Not Held Friday Night.

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was to have been held on Friday night, but on account of the absence of County Superintendent Lanter, was postponed until next Friday night.

Prof. Lanter is attending the Corn Show at Maysville.

TRACY AND STOKELY SELL HOUSE AND LOT

Cottage Home is Purchased by Mrs.
W. H. Rash For \$1,300.—Possession at Once.

Tracy & Stokely, as agents for Allen Osborne, of Star City, Indiana, sold his house and lot on Third avenue, this city, Thursday afternoon to Mrs. W. H. Rash for \$1,300. Possession given at once.

They also leased the W. F. Dandridge property on North Main street, known as the Winn property, to Mr. G. M. Ramsey, of this city, who will remodel it and conduct a first-class boarding house.

KENTUCKIAN IS MURDERED

Relatives of Ernest Robinson Suspect
Foul Play And Will Try to
Ferret Out The Matter.

Mr. Sterling, Ky., Feb. 2.—Mr. J. I. Robinson, of this city, received a telegram Thursday announcing that his son, Ernest Robinson, had been found dead just at the outskirts of Gauley, W. Va. No particulars were given. It is believed by the boy's relatives that he was the victim of foul play. Thos. Robinson, brother of the dead boy, went to West Virginia on the noon train Thursday and will take a detective with him to ferret out the matter. Young Robinson had worked with the Adams Express Company and telephone companies in this state, and was well known. He was about 30 years of age and was born and reared in this city. Body will be brought here for burial.

A sale of Snelly bred horse stock was held here Thursday by Greene Bros. The best prices were \$220 for Greene's Bourbon, by Bourbon Chief; Miss Maggard, by Wilson's King, for \$121.50; Pearl, by Cecil Wilkes, for \$187.50. The other prices ranged from \$65 to \$145. Twelve head were sold for a total of \$1,640, or an average of about \$136 per head. A pair aged mules sold for \$150. The sale was well attended by local buyers but no foreign buyers were present.

WOODFORD SUN REFUSES TO SUPPORT CANTRILL

Democratic Paper at Versailles
Says it is Tired of Machine
Methods of Congressman.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 2.—The Lexington Herald publishes an editorial from the Woodford Sun, the leading Democratic paper at Versailles, in which the editors, A. A. and Dan W. Bomar, declare that under no circumstances will they support Congressman J. Campbell Cantrill for re-election if he is the Democratic nominee for Congress in the Seventh District, regardless of whether the snap primary which the Congressman had his friends call off or not. The editorial says in part:

"If the snap primary is held and other Democrats are contesting the nomination with Mr. Cantrill the Sun editors will demand the right to vote on the ground that they are known Democrats in good standing and will pledge themselves to support any other nominee but Mr. Cantrill. If they learn that they will be refused permission at the polls to vote on these terms, they will not vote at all.

Why Statement is Made
"We make this statement at this time because we have always tried to be perfectly fair and even with our readers, and we think, that now, and not later, is the time to make our intentions known.

"It is proper to say that there is no personal enmity whatever as the basis of our decision. The Sun's editors have not now, and have never had the slightest unkind personal feeling for, or enmity against Mr. Cantrill.

"The Sun is forty-two years old. We doubt if it ever failed to support a Democratic nominee. Certainly during the thirty years since our father purchased it, it has always done so. Its present editors have voted the Democratic ticket from their majority, one of them for twenty-three and one of them for twenty-one years. Neither of them have ever 'scratched' that ticket. Neither of them has ever intentionally remained away from the polls on election day.

Have Seen Democracy Wrecked.
"We have seen Democracy in

Kentucky practically wrecked several times by those, who through manipulation rode rough-shod over the people and placed, or sought to place unfit men in office.

"Now, at the dawn of what promise is to be the best day Kentucky has ever seen, the same cloud appears on the horizon in Mr. Cantrill's candidacy and 'snap primary.'

"We have stood for these things every time before and the result has been evil. There must be a stopping place somewhere, and we have arrived at it.

"It is perhaps unnecessary to say that our refusal to support Mr. Cantrill indicates no change otherwise in our attitude toward the Democratic party. Under its banner we expect constantly to fight in the future as in the past, giving to its nominees the best service in our power, but swallowing no more such doses as have several times been prepared for us of late.

Will Not Support Republican.
"We will not support any man for Cabin. Many will claim that this renders our refusal to support Mr. Cantrill futile and foolish.

"We have this to say in reply. It is not our business to regulate the affairs of the Ashland District, but only to put ourselves and the Sun in the right attitude. Mr. Cantrill shall not be elected by our vote, or our support, or influence, but we will not vote with a party whose principles are diametrically opposed to ours.

"If the Democrats of this district put Mr. Cantrill in Congress by their votes, he is such a representative as they deserve and should have. We utterly decline to be forced into voting the Republican ticket because other Democrats will not do their duty, and shall feel no whit of responsibility if Mr. Cantrill is nominated. If the Democrats of the district follow our example, he will assuredly not return to Congress. If they do not, that is their own affair."

JUDGE DUNDON BACKED TO OPPOSE CANTRILL

Leading Democrats in Bourbon
County Are Considering His Name
With View of Giving His Support.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—The name of Judge Dennis Dundon, of Paris, Bourbon county, is being considered by the Democrats of Franklin county, as a candidate for the nomination for Congress to succeed J. Campbell Cantrill, in case the District Committee rescinds its call for Mr. Campbell's snap primary on the 16th of March.

Judge Dundon has many friends in Franklin county and within the past three days leaders of the Democracy, whose sole desire is to see the Ashland District kept up to its time-honored standard in representation and to its old-time Democratic majorities, have been considering his name with a view to giving him the support of the county if possible. Whether the snap primary is rescinded or not if he will consent to become a candidate.

Judge Dundon is one of the most popular among the younger Democrats of the district. His majorities as County Judge in Bourbon have been an index in his popularity at home and his political record is straight. In the prime of a vigorous manhood, with an eloquence that seems to have inherited and an integrity that has never been questioned he would make a strong candidate, say his friends here.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

Mrs. Bettie Boyle Gay
Died at Pisgah, Woodford county, February 1. Mrs. Bettie Boyle Gay, was the widow of Louis W. Gay, formerly of Clark county, but has made her home in Woodford county for many years. Burial at Pisgah, February 3 at 2:30 o'clock.

SECRETARY OF STATE KNOX

Has Cabled David Lubin That He
Can Attend Southern Commercial
Congress.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2.—Secretary of State Knox cabled David Lubin, Delegate of the United States to the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, Italy, that he can be absent from March 15 to May 1, in order to attend the Southern Commercial Congress in Nashville, April 8 to 10, and later hold a series of conferences in various states to explain the Raiffeisen system of cooperative rural credits that enables the peasant farmers of Germany to do a co-operative banking of over \$1,600,000,000 a year.

Prior to the sessions of the Congress Mr. Lubin will meet in Nashville a committee of two leading men from each state in order that the whole system may be thoroughly discussed and its possibilities considered as a means of strengthening the rural life of America.

SENATE ENJOYS FIERCE ROW

Between Senator Salmon And Louis
Arnett, And Hears Oil Poured on
The Waters.—Other Doings.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—The Senate Thursday enjoyed a fierce row between Senator Salmon and L. W. Arnett, heard oil poured on the troubled waters by Louis' father, B. M. Arnett, and listened to a lecture by Lieutenant Governor E. J. McDermott warning them against the displacing of the regular order and urging them to get busy before the rest of the session is so near gone it will be impossible to pass meritorious measures.

The expected fight in the Senate to put over the bi-partisan Prison Commissioners bill did not materialize.

The House defeated the bill of Representative Herrington to move the headquarters of the State Geological survey to Frankfort.

The resolution to investigate the State Experiment Station was laid over until Monday.

Among the new bills introduced was one by Senator Tunis, of Fayette county, prohibiting the manufacture or sale of cigarettes in Kentucky and a redistricting bill by Senator Pritchard which makes the apparently leave Clark county off the map or puts it in a district by itself as it is not mentioned in the bill.

Among other bills introduced were the following:

Senator Moody—to better prevent lynchings and mob violence. The bill provides for action for damage and removal of negligent officials.

Senator Pritchard—Bill dividing the state into eleven congressional districts:

First District—Ballard, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Crittenden, Fulton, Graves, Hickman, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken and Trigg.

Second District—Christian, Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Union and Webster.

Third District—Allen, Butler, Barren, Edmonson, Logan, Metcalfe, Muhlenberg, Simpson, Todd and Warren.

Fourth District—Breckinridge, Bullitt, Grayson, Green, Hardin, Hart, Larnie, Marion, Meade, Nelson, Ohio, Taylor and Washington.

Fifth District—Jefferson.

Sixth District—Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Knox, Pendleton and Trimble.

Seventh District—Bourbon, Fayette, Franklin, Henry, Montgomery,

Oldham, Owen, Scott and Woodford. Eighth District—Adair, Anderson, Boyle, Casey, Clark, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, Shelby and Spencer.

Ninth District—Bracken, Bath, Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Fleming, Greenup, Harrison, Lewis, Lawrence, Mason, Menifee, Morgan, Nicholas, Robertson, Rowan and Wolfe.

Tenth District—Breathitt, Clay, Estill, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Laurel, Martin, Magoffin, Owsley, Pike, Powell and Perry.

Eleventh District—Bell, Clinton, Cumberland, Harlan, Jackson, Knox, Monroe, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Wayne and Whitley.

Senator Thomas, Bourbon—Act to pay George W. Judy \$107 for money expended in capturing four escaped prisoners.

Senator Welch, Estill—Act dividing the state with 38 senatorial districts.

Senator Arnett, Jessamine—Act to amend the revenue law so as to provide for a revenue agent's supervisor and no suit for taxes shall be filed until first submitted to this supervisor.

Senator Arnett, Kenton—Act fixing a license tax on the production of petroleum oil and natural gas.

Senator Bagbey, Lewis—Act to amend section 653 Kentucky Statutes by providing how existing values of life insurance policies shall be calculated.

Senator Bosworth, Bell—Act to amend section 2037 Kentucky Statutes so as to punish any one who shall aid or assist in the sale of liquor in local option districts.

Among the new bills offered in the House were the following:

Mr. Douglas, of Boyle, a bill appropriating \$5,000 annually to the school to increase salaries of instructors.

Mr. Aiken—to restrain gas, heat, light, water, ice, coal and such companies from discriminating in the distribution of such commodities and the prices charged.

Mr. Stoll, of Fayette, wants to make it a misdemeanor to go on the land of another without having business with the owner.

Mr. Williams—Creating a state board to examine stationary engines, authorizing the Governor to appoint three division engineers.

Mr. Robertson, of Louisville, bill limiting cold storage period on eggs to nine months, and requiring that hotels and restaurants serving such eggs to carry a placard announcing the fact. The applause with which the bill was received would indicate that somebody had been eating cold storage eggs.

Another bill that created a laugh was offered by T. M. Bertman. It assesses at of from 10 to 25 cents on each \$100 of property owned by a bachelor, between the ages of thirty-five and sixty years, the taxes collected to go the school fund.

COURT OF APPEALS UPHOLDS BOARD

Says Body Has Right to Dismiss
Willis As Superintendent of The
Asylum.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 2.—The Court of Appeals Thursday affirmed the case of Dr. R. L. Willis vs. Albert Scott, etc., from Fayette county, and upholds the right of the Board, after due notice, to dismiss Willis as Superintendent of the Lexington Asylum. The Court says it is unreasonable to suppose that the framers of the constitution intended that before an employee of an institution like this could be removed for incompetency or the like, that their cases would have to be taken to a court and then tried with all the delays which attend such trials.

Definition of Velocity.
Teacher—What is velocity, Johnny?
Johnny—Velocity is what a chap lets go of a wasp with.

SOCIALIST USES HITCHCOCK IDEA

Representative Berger Introduces Bill
For Government Ownership of Tele-
graphs.

Washington, Feb. 2.—A bill for Government ownership of railroad, telegraph, telephone and express properties engaged in interstate commerce was introduced by Representative Berger, of Wisconsin, Socialist. The bill is a sequel to Postmaster General Hitchcock's recent declaration for Government ownership of telegraph lines.

TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

Explosion of Oil Lamp in Home of
Louis Isler, Their Father.—Par-
ents Seriously Burned.

New York, Feb. 2.—A boy of six and a girl of four years were burned to death in their beds Thursday, and two other children, brother and sister of the victims, are in a critical condition in a hospital in Brooklyn as the result of an explosion of an oil lamp in the home of Louis Isler, their father. Isler and his wife were seriously burned.

LEBUS AND FERGUSON AT MAYSVILLE MONDAY

Burley Society Officials to Speak in
Behalf of Ten-Year Pool.—School
Plan Killed.

Maysville, Ky., Feb. 2.—On Monday, February 5, at 1 o'clock President Clarence LeBus, of the Burley Tobacco Society, will address the farmers of Mason county in the Courthouse on the subject of the ten-year Burley Society Tobacco pool plan. He will be accompanied by Mr. A. L. Ferguson, vice-President of the society who will also address the growers.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals put a crimp into Mason county's methods of transporting pupils to the county schools, deciding in the suit of Shanklin vs. Boyd that the school tax levy could not be used for the purpose of hauling children to school. The decision will affect a number of counties that have already adopted the plan of hauling pupils to county schools.

NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TO BE CREATED

A new school district will be created and a new house built just out of the city limits in North Park. The need of such a district is readily seen as the children of this community have formerly been numbered in the Mooresville district south of this city. There will be something over seventy scholars this year.

Hogan—Royce.
Mr. J. D. Hogan and Miss Mary T. Royce were married at the home of Eld. J. W. Harding, on Thursday. Congratulations are extended.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY THE LYRIC.

Wm. Thackeray's Vanity Fair, 3000 feet. A magnificent staged and acted production. Don't miss this one and be sorry that you did tomorrow. Mr. Watson will sing, "I want a Girl."
Lady Godiva, one of the feature reels for Saturday afternoon and night. School children 5 cents.